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FURTHER FAR EASTERN RELIEF

One million people, chiefly Armenians and members of the exiled subject races living in the Near East, would have perished if it had not been for the American relief.

To a large extent these peoples have been made self supporting by industrial training. In the Russian district preparations are being made for the cultivation of 100,000 acres of agricultural and grazing land which will make possible a substantial reduction in the contributions required.

The action of the French in withdrawal from Asia Minor makes these steps toward restoring the people of the Near East to self support more necessary than ever. Efforts are being made to transfer to governments and other agencies the responsibility of the dependents, but there is seldom any friendly and dependable government upon which the responsibility can be placed. The Near East Relief is still the one agency that is capably organized and established in every important center and has experienced and efficient directors.

Its work, far from being finished, is assuming larger proportions. Continued care of the 100,000 children whom they are supporting claims a large part of the resources at hand. Large sums will also be required to finance the work for the immediate future which will be concentrated upon educational and industrial lines.

The greatest need for general relief is in the Caucasus, where the problem this year is of governmental magnitude. The Near East Relief has the co-operation of most of the governments and the confidence of the still stricken peoples. But it is only by the advancement of large sums of money that it can be of great service in this general relief program which is still urgent in some districts.

Having kept alive these 1,000,000 people, our responsibility is not ended. The interest and zeal for the relief program should not flag, for at this time our assistance is needed as much if not more than during the time of war. The relief program which is now being carried out is as important as that work which has already been done and deserves continued support, without which it will fail.

There are men who want swords beaten into plowshares who could not be persuaded to go within a hundred yards of a plow.

White night sticks for policemen is the last suggestion. It is easy enough for burglars to keep out of the way of policemen, without such distinctive markers.

SAINTS OR FOOLS

Groups today are following teachings without observing distinctions which they should. One of the cults which has many followers is that which asks that men have the courage of their convictions. This ideal is a worthy one if lived by men who actually have ideas which they believe true. Pigheadedness and egotism rather than courage, though, often move men. There is an apparent difference in these motives.

It is true, as the leaders of this group point out, that the man who supports his belief may have to endure hardships, cold, hunger and sickness while he stands for his ideal. He will be defied and mocked. Imprisonment, solitude, isolation are im-

minent. If the believer is a pioneer, he will, as have others in the vanguard, perhaps die a nameless death. Little gratitude or compassion will come his way.

There are times when loyalty to a conviction eventually means disbelief in everything one has formerly believed in. It may mean giving up all the ties ordinarily enjoyed by man.

The answer to the question of saint or fool is then apparent. Whether or not these mighty sacrifices for beliefs are worth while is obvious. If one has made the distinction between obstinacy and determination, egotism and sincerity, and knows that he persists because it will eventually bring benefit, he belongs to the category of saints. For it is through such men that continents have been discovered and religions maintained.

With the increasing number of auto accidents, it would be well for the Columbia pedestrian to carry around a bottle of the medicine good for "that run-down feeling."

A MUNICIPAL GAS PLANT.

When the owners of the Columbia Gas Plant are not satisfied with their profits at the present rates and the consumers, complaining of poor service, are unwilling to pay higher rates, some remedy is necessary. Municipal ownership offers a reasonable solution to the difficulty.

Columbia has operated its water and light plant economically and efficiently. There is reason to suppose that operation of the gas plant would prove equally satisfactory. Under municipal operation of both plants the present overhead expense of the water and light department need not be increased appreciably.

The need for new equipment for the gas plant has been urged. Without a greater return on their investment, the present owners do not feel justified in making any additional outlay of capital. Under municipal ownership, such improvements as are necessary and practicable might be installed without regard to the profit involved.

Statistics show that Columbia is paying as high rates for gas as any city its size in Missouri. The city is entitled to good service. If good service cannot be maintained at reasonable rates by private ownership, the city should buy the plant, if it can do so at a fair price, and make the service what it should be.

ON OTHER CAMPUSES

At Ohio State University a student was run down by another in a motor car and killed. The mother of the dead student is suing the other for \$25,000 damages.

The co-operative store of Ohio State celebrated its first anniversary last week. Stock on hand is valued at \$35,000. Five persons are employed.

The cadets at Kemper Military Academy will produce the play, "A Tailor-Made Man," a recent success on Broadway.

The movement against short skirts has reached Texas University. The open column in the Daily Texan is the center of the hostilities.

Students in newspaper ethics and principles at Ohio State University have formulated a code of ethics for journalism, containing eleven points.

The University of Oregon is under a ban as a result of an epidemic of colds and influenza. Good weather is expected to aid in the restoration of normalcy, however. Dancing and other social recreations have been postponed.

A key, to be worn by members of the student council, has been designed for the University of Kansas body. It will have a figure of an Indian approaching a teepee and the letters K. U. S. C. engraved on it.

The Council of Religious Workers at Lawrence will conduct a religious campaign among the students at the University of Kansas in March.

AT THE HOSPITALS

PARKER MEMORIAL.
William Pollard, 809 College avenue, and Gustave Bofer, 805 Virginia avenue, were taken to the hospital yesterday, suffering with tonsillitis.

Ida Thompson was admitted yesterday.

John Reece, 907 Lowry street, and Rowland McCoy, 803 Virginia avenue, entered the hospital today.

Kenneth Wyatt, who has been in the isolation ward of the hospital several days, was sent home this morning.

Those discharged yesterday were: William Jackson, William Tisdell, Lucille Cherry, Mildred Baumgarten, Sarah Streiberger and Mrs. Martha Smith.

BOONE COUNTY.
Bessie and Tipton Powell, who were admitted to the Boone County Hospital Monday, were discharged today.

New Fire Truck to Arrive Soon.
The Columbia Fire Department's new fire truck, which was ordered by the City Council in September, is to be shipped Saturday and is expected to arrive Sunday.

IN FORMER DAYS

Five Years Ago.

Senior "Stunt Week" was abolished because of the changing of the date of Commencement.

Hides to the value of \$3,000 were sold by one Columbia firm in the month of January.

The national prohibition bill was before Congress.

The W. C. T. U. appointed three committees to interview the candidates for mayor.

From 125 to 150 tons of coal were mined daily from Boone County mines.

More than fifty messenger boys were sent out before noon on St. Valentine's Day with telegraphic messages of the day.

The average salary of Columbia public school teachers was \$62.92, according to J. E. McPherson, superintendent.

Ten women journalists were to appear in the production of "Everywoman." They were "supes" in the mob scene.

Ten Years Ago.

The music for the new state song was to be selected by a committee which met in Columbia.

Washington basketball team defeated the Tiger aggregation 19 to 16 in a game that was said to be "rougher than football."

A prize was being given away by the School of Journalism to students in the news and reporting class who brought in a good news story useful for any of the town papers.

Sixty men appeared in uniform for the first spring baseball practice.

The style in men's clothing made a radical change. All the latest things were form fitting. Gone were the padded shoulders and pegtops.

There was a great deal of complaint because the sidewalks of the city were not kept free from mud, ice and slush.

Twenty-five Years Ago.

"John D. Rockefeller is the richest man in the world. Li Hung Chang is said to be worth \$500,000,000, but he holds his property subject to the caprice and good will of his emperor. By a single decree his imperial majesty can take away the millions he has allowed his famous political adviser to steal or accept as blackmail. No government official or legislator can take a dollar from Rockefeller. He is the head of a trust that is, it seems, stronger and bigger than any legislature."

The United States imported 100 million dollars worth of sugar every year.

Because in Spain a boy can only associate with his equals, the young King Alfonso was a very lonesome young man. More than 35,000 elephants were killed in 1896, yielding 900 tons of ivory worth \$6,000 a ton.

Fifty Years Ago.

Horace Greeley quit writing farming articles and was engaged on a novel entitled "Wickedness in High Places, or the Devil on Stilts." It was said that General Grant was the object of his novel.

A man traveling through New Jersey says he saw some land that was so poor that you couldn't raise a disturbance on it.

The public debt of the United States was \$238,204,899, or about \$29.83 for every male citizen over the age of twenty-one years.

A smallpox epidemic was raging in Baltimore.

Item—"A duel was fought yesterday at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, between General Badger, Chief of Police of New Orleans, and George W. Carter, Speaker of the House of Representatives of Louisiana. Shots were exchanged with rifles at sixty paces without effect, after which the difficulties were amicably arranged."

IN THE CITY SCHOOLS

The story of Robinson Crusoe has been made the pivot of a multitude of activities for the third grade of the Eugene Field School. The children of this room will study reading, geography, the history of the Indians, free-hand drawing, wood carving and many other things while they are engaged in this project.

While one group of children dramatize the story, someone in the room tells the story slowly and explains each movement. The pupils then discuss the various ways in which Robinson Crusoe found and used substitutes for the necessities of life, such as a home, food and clothes.

The raft will be made from a cigar box; one little boy will soon finish a ladder about eighteen inches long, that is well nailed together, and all manner of tools will be made from wood. The children will study weaving and some of them will weave baskets intended to be replicas of Crusoe's basket woven of young trees. Some of the children will make a boat imitating the boat which was wrecked.

In the story there is a description of the way in which Crusoe prepared for the seasonal changes. This will be the occasion of a study of summer, winter, spring and fall, of the shape of the earth, its relation to the sun, the moon and the planets. The question of mountains and volcanoes has found a place in the children's study too, through a picture in a Sunday newspaper which one of the children brought to school. Rain, snow, hail, steam and dew will be included in this connection.

When the children read of Crusoe's attempts to raise grains, they were told to bring samples of sand, loam, gravel and fertile soil to school. The children are now familiar with the causes of the formation and uses of all four.

Sometime during the day, the class has an English lesson based on the grammatical mistakes which the children have

made during their conversations about Crusoe since morning. Each child writes a short story in which there will be a correction of the oral mistakes that they have made.

Freedom of self expression is the keynote of the work to be done by the children of the first grade of the Eugene Field School. This is the aim to be achieved both in the paper folding which the children have done in the making of paper furniture, wagons and valentines and also in the folk dancing which they enjoy once or twice a week.

The children were given paper and told that they might make anything that they wished. The paper they folded in sixteen small squares and from this one piece of paper by folding and then refolding, they made paper tables, chairs, beds and buffets on which they used silver-paper to represent the glass, wagons and baskets. The children worked alone and with no models or suggestions at all. The work was entirely original.

This same class had a valentine party today and invited the second grade to come as guests. The children played games, told stories, and danced folk dances which the children have learned during the year. They have learned to dance to music and they have learned to appreciate and keep the time of the folk dance.

These children have a set of wooden blocks which also serve as building blocks, models of cubes, cylinders and squares. The blocks are of every shape and size. They are used principally by the children as means of stimulating the imagination. The children made several medieval castles with them that represented those they had read about in their reading and that they had seen in books in the room. The castles were well built and had all the characteristic architectural features.

THE NEW BOOKS

"Saturday Papers."

A knowledge of American literature of the present day, of the faults and virtues of the writers and of what the public wants and does not want characterizes the essays contained in "Saturday Papers," a volume of selections from the Literary Review of the New York Evening Post by Henry Seidel Canby, William Rose Benet and Amy Lowman.

"Red Brick Literature," "Novels Nowadays," "Shovels, Peter and Dapper Sam," are titles of some of the essays which will give a suggestion of the type of things discussed in the book. Such a paragraph as this illustrates the style: "We are too much afraid of seeming anything but red-blooded, rough, rugged, hale, hearty, healthy. . . . We take refuge from what we do not understand in our chief pride, our National Sense of Humor. Strange how much escapes us!"

The volume is of especial delight to those interested in writing and also will not fail to attract readers. The choice of words is invigorating, the style is just long enough and yet not too short, the subject matter is of pertinence and there is a grace and charm about the treatment that will scarcely allow the reader to put the book down before it is thoroughly read.

(The MacMillan Company, New York, publishers; 133 pages; price \$1.)

"Self-Development."

These are dark days, so far as the spiritual content of life is concerned. We are enveloped in a mist of materialism, of naturalism, of seeking after the real and the tangible, whereas, often the most valuable things in life are the intangible qualities of true culture, spiritual happiness, and a wholesome life-philosophy.

In his latest contribution to philosophy for the masses, H. Addington Bruce shows that he has a grasp of the finer things to be gained in life. His philosophy is well-grounded, fundamentally correct, and harmless; and he writes of it in an easy, conversational tone which is read without difficulty, and understood in a single reading.

Self-realization, another name for self-development, is the acknowledged aim of rightly organized society. By strong, vigorous and inspiring talks, this author tries to give his readers an appreciation of the proper ideal of self-realization, toward which they should strive, and then to tell them how to attain it. Every man, he says, has within him success-winning powers which are utilized by the great majority to nothing like their possible maximum use. How to enable men to draw upon these powers and to direct them to ends consistent with a wholesome philosophy of life, is his object.

("Self-Development," by H. Addington Bruce. Funk and Wagnalls, N. Y. 327 pages, \$1.50.)

"The Golden Windmill."

"The Golden Windmill" is a collection of nine short stories by Stacy Aumonier dealing chiefly with the people of rural England and rural France in recent years. His characters are realistic, every-day sort of people portrayed with an understanding touch which cannot fail to find a response.

There is a variety in his range of subjects, a quaintness in his choice of words and queer little twists to the endings which gave a zest to their reading. Old Sam Gates "A Source of Irritation" is delicious. In fact, few of the characters will allow for a dull moment.

(The MacMillan Company, New York, publishers; cloth; 238 pages; price, \$2.)

Students to Contest for Medal.

The annual Hope Medal contest of the Centralia High School will be held Friday evening in the high school auditorium. The contestants will be Elizabeth Stone, Walter Botkin, Nancy Curtright, Howard Hulen, Helen Baker, Sidney Harley, Daisy Ashbury and Turner Cox.

A SONG OR TWO

Styles in poetry vary as do styles in clothes, somewhat, and the well informed reader always knows just what is being used in the way of verse forms and metrical patterns, or lack of verse forms and metrical patterns. Impervious to all ages and all fads remains the sonnet, a form difficult to use but exceedingly beautiful when there is skill in its composition. The Survey for February 4, has two interesting sonnets by Esther Alida Phillips, one of which, "Regenerate," is especially worth the reading.

REGENERATE

By ESTHER ALIDA PHILLIPS
Fancy moves lightly down the world once more

To mock the prisoned topaz of the stream.

Where hemlock roots make cliffs along the shore

Or willows lull the waters into dream.

She trails her fingers where green, darkened stones

Crash fluttering sunlight in their narrow alley.

Or haunts the meadow while the June bee drones

The open yellow music of the valley.

I often wonder how I sing of these

When blood and cruelty alone seem true.

How can I see the perfect shape of trees,

Knowing the waste mankind is passing through.

Am I so light, so callous, that I dare

Let simple beauty cancel my despair?

NEWS OF THE STATE

The Madison Hotel, oldest hostelry in Jefferson City, has changed hands. It was purchased by four members of the family of Major J. B. Kaiser, for many years owner of the hotel.

Mrs. Sunny Higgins, owner of a rooming house in Joplin, and Miss Mattie Temples, one of her roomers, were awakened Sunday morning by the barking of a pet bulldog. They found their room in flames. Onlookers urged Mrs. Higgins to abandon the dog in order to save herself, but she held it under one arm as she was being carried down the ladder.

The St. Joseph Water Co. has asked the state public service commission for a revaluation of their plant and for higher rates.

Jews raised \$20,000 Sunday night at the Temple of Adath in St. Joseph for the relief of Jewish war sufferers in Europe.

The Washington Hotel, St. Louis, was held up yesterday by bandits who forced the night clerk and watchman to lie on the floor while they looted twenty-three safety boxes. The total loss may reach \$100,000.

Robbers broke into the Thomas Markey, 707 North Sixth street, St. Louis and carried off \$2500. Olive St. (St. Louis yesterday) and obtained \$5,000 cash at the former and \$1,800 cash at the latter place.

Mrs. Veronica Mulvihill Schwarz, a former well-known society girl of St. Louis is suing her husband for a divorce. She alleges incompatibility of disposition.

A coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death when Clarence J. Carby, president of the Automobile Club of Missouri, shot and killed himself while cleaning a gun.

LIBRARY HAS NEW BOOKS

Pamphlets and Foreign Periodicals Received Daily and Weekly.

Among the new books received by the University Library are: "The Emancipation of the American City," by Walter D. Arndt, (Duffield); "A Man for the Ages," by Irving Bacheller, (Bobbs); "Mexico in Revolution," by Vincente Blasco Ibanez, (Dutton); "Mexico on the Verge," by Emile Joseph Dillon, (Doran); "Political Systems in Transition," by Charles C. Fenwick, (Century); "Russia from the American Embassy," by David R. Francis, (Scribner).

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AT THE THEATERS

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Tonight Only—In "The Girl From Nowhere," Elaine Hammerstein is cast as Mavis Cole, the society belle who becomes infatuated with a no-account gentleman-and, upon learning his true character, runs away to a hunting lodge in the hills. The caretaker asks an explanation of her presence and she tries to excuse herself by saying she is the wife of the owner. Then a strange predicament arises and the story winds through a maze of queer situations, eventually leading Mavis to the happiness she sought in the beginning.

"The Pussyfoot Janitor" is the comedy attraction.

Hall.

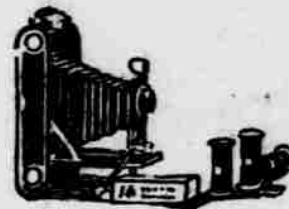
Tonight and Thursday—"The Rough Diamond" features Tom Mix in the role of a daring Yankee who goes down into a South American republic and gets embroiled in a revolution. It happens that the young fellow meets the daughter of the deposed president, and that makes him anxious to see the rebels beaten. He helps with the beating and wins the hand of the girl in a series of whirlwind episodes where Tom Mix is at his best.

Pathe News, Topics of the Day, and Aesop's Fables complete the bill.

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